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## FOUR GIRLS DIE WHEN BOAT GOES OVER MILL DAM

Gasoline Gives Out and Launch Is Swept Down Stream.

Party of Eight Went it Out for Sail With Man.

EMPORIA, Ill., May 9 .- Four girls, Elma Webster, aged eighteen years Edith Webster, aged sixteen years Grace Lytle, aged fifteen years, and Bessle Lawrence, were drowned in the Neosha river at Hartford, this morning. In company with Kate Griffith, Mary Griffith Carol Lytle, Emil Steinholst and Howard Lyons, they went boating in a gasoline launch.

When the party was a short distant above the dam at the Hartford mill the supply of gasoline gave out, and the engine stopped.

fith and Carol Lytle safely ashore, and AND TO EATE MARKATE Griffith floated down the Tream several hundred yards, where seh was rescued by Charles Shaw, who was attracted to the scene by cries for help. The body of Edith Webster has been recovered. The entire community was engaged in a hunt for the bodies of the other three girls.

# Six Men Drowned

EAST LIVERPOOL, Ohio, May 9 .- Of nine young men who started out in a gasoline launch for a ride on the Ohio river, at 10 o'clock last night, only three are living, the six others having met death by drowning.

THOMAS NAGLE, plumber, who is married, and has two children. DONALD MUNDY.

WILLIAM JOHNSON, JAMES DAWSON. CARSON FINCH, married.

GEORGE GIRWIG.

The nine men went up the river a mile, when their engine broke. Futile efforts vere made to get it into running order

again.

The boat floated down stream on the West Virginia side of the river, and when it had gone down as far as Chester, it struck a fleet of coal barges which had tied up there. The current is swift at this point and the gasoline launch is believed to have gone under the tow and then floated down the river. All the occupants were through inte

# EVANS HAULS DOWN

## \$500,000 VESSEL BEACHED

harbor.

The Milwaukee, bound for Montreal, rammed the Montcalm, as the latter tried to cross her bows in the St. Lawrence yesterday. The Montcalm is valued at \$500,000.

### THE WEATHER REPORT. The weather is still cloudy and rainy

northeastern districts and the Lak gion, although the disturbance of Fr y morning has advanced to the lower day morning has advanced to the lower St. Lawrence valley. A second disturbance is central in the southern Rocky mountain region. It has not caused any precipitation of consequence, except in Idaho, Wyoming, and Utah. The temperatures are below the seasonal average from the Atlantic to the Pacific, except in very few small areas. Fair to cloudy weather, with only small temperature changes is probable in the Washington forecast district during the next thirty-six hours. The weather in New England will probably clear tonight. Steamers departing today for European ports will have fresh to brisk west-rly winds and cloudy weather to the Grand Banks.

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Sun rises	SUN TABLE.	4:3
High water	TIDE TABLE. 2:50 1	p. II

## FIGHT IS ATTEMPTED ON FLOOR OF HOUSE

Commissioner From Porto Rico Resents Remarks of Ohio Representative Who Charged Disloyalty to the American Flag.

A slurring remark by Representative Douglas of Ohio regarding his belief that the Porto Rican people do not love the American flag aroused the ire of Tulio Larrinaga, Resident Commissioner from Porto Rico, to such a degree late yesterday afternoon that for a moment it seemed that serious trouble would be started on the floor of the House.

Minority Leader Williams, however, laid a detaining hand on Mr. Larrinaga, as a result of Mr. Douglas' remarks, made a short speech in the House this afternoon, in which he described the woes of Porto Rico and the sorrows of her people are governed by Americans, who understand neither the customs nor the language of Porto Rico. Instead of the independent government which the people once enjoyed, there is now a government by men appointed by the President, he declared, and the taxes are collected by men who are the appointees of the foreign rulers.

Blames Political Conditions.

and a conflict was averted. Mr. Douglas, who is General Grosve successor, had just made the remark that the fiag was not looked up his race had its peculiarities, as every to and loved by the Porto Ricans as it race has, but the discontent was due to should be. Mr. Williams asked why

this was. "It is due to the peculiar personali-ties of Porto Ricans," replied Douglas. Ready for Fight.

Without a moment's warning Larri ed down the aisle. Mr. Williams, however, stopped him. When Mr. Larrinaga asked for time to make a state-

A slurring remark by Representative ment in reply to Douglas, Mr. Williams

Blames Political Conditions.

He said it could not be doubted that political conditions entirely. "I have heard the boast made on this

floor that you have caused the prosper-ity of Porto Rico," he continued. "I Everything that Porto Rico is, she has done for herself. I am sorry to have to bring this subject before the House, but it is adding asult to injury when my neople have to endure what is said with her mother, Mrs. Lucy Burton. only wish you had, but you have not.

ment Should Pay for Breaking Contract.

That the Audit System, which was ent Printing Office, intends to sue the United States Government because i was put out before its contract expired. was developed today in a hearing before the House Committee on Printing. W. M. Rayner, general manager of the sysiem, made this statement.

The meeting was called by Chairman

Landls, and was a resumption of the investigation which Mr. Landis began some months ago into what the Audit

System really did in the printery.

The fact that the System will sue the Government was brought out when Mr. Government was brought out when Mr. Landls asked Mr. Rayner why it was that, although the Audit System contract with the Government called for expert services, the Government did not get any such service. Mr. Rayner was about to answer this question, when his attorney, R. Golden Donaldson, objected, with the statement that

appreciation of the gracious message ternoon Sabino Malillo, thirty-four years old, ex in hand, pursued Alfred precived and again said it was with regret that he hauled down his flag and that it was done only on the earnest representations of his doctors.

The sabino Malillo, thirty-four years old, up New-ark avenue, caught him at Little Italy Park, and chorned him to death. Fire Park, and chorped him to death. Fire Chief Conway, who was responding to an alarm of fire, leaped from his wagon,

IN THE SENATE.

would call up Monday his bill to restore the discharged soldiers to the Twenty-fifth Infantry and would try to have it made the unfinished busi-

Consideration of the agricultural bill forestry matters continued. The conferees on the naval bill held a meeting and reached a tentative agree ment on the pay amendment to the

naval bill The postoffice appropriation bill, as reperted from the Senate Committee, gives the Postmaster General authority to suppress anarchistic publica-

IN THE HOUSE.

The House considered bills under the suspension rule. The committee on printing reopened its

investigation on the contract of the Audit System, with the Government Printing Office. Representative Bennet of New York advocated before the Committee on Re-form in the Civil Service, a bill to al-

while confined at home by quarantine. Special Davenport Beds, Jones, 622 H st. nw.-Adv.

ow employes to draw their salaries

# PANIC OF GUESTS AS GAS EXPLODES

On Launch Party Manager Thinks Govern- Flames Leap From Street When Match Is Lighted.

> treets today, so frightened the guests of the hotels that they rushed out half pany.

nain as high as the third stories of the notels. Tenants in the nearby houses locked into the streets, which soon warmed with an excited crowd.

The fire department and the police re-erves were called. The firemen were owerless to extinguish the continuously ed flames, and it was a half hour befed flames, and it was a half hour before the gas company could turn off the gas. The police quieted the crow the people returning to their hones when it was seen that there was little danger of the flames spreading.

The explosion was indirectly due to the drenching rain of the past two days. The rain had undermined the streets in the rain had undermined the streets in the rain had undermined the streets in the rain task of th

### BRENNAN WAIVES HEARING ON CHARGE OF EXTORTION

NEW YORK, May 9 .- Edward E. collision with the steamer Milwaukee, of the Canadian Pacific railway, the finest vessel in its fleet, is beached to day, almost submerged, in Sackett's

The Milwaukee, bound for the died after removal to St. Francis here early in the week on a charge of extortion, was arraigned today before Magistrate Walsh. He waived examination and was held in \$5.000 bail. He furnished the bond and returned to his hotel. He says his and returned to his hotel. He says his and returned to his hotel. here early in the week on a charge of extortion, was arraigned today before Magistrate Walsh. He walved examination and was held in \$5.000 bail. He furnished the bond and returned to his hotel. He says his father, Dr. Brennan, of Indianapolis will be here shortly to aid him and that he will fight the case to the last ditch.

## After a long debate, Senator Burkett's CLEVELAND STREET CAR MEN

## JIM CROW SIGNS HIDDEN

## SOCIALISTS FLEE TO AMERICA.

PIACANZA, May 3.—The police of this city are making a diligent search for Secretary Zochi of the laber bureau and a man whose name is Ross, and who is best known as a socialistic leader. The charges against the men, if any, have not been disclosed by the police. It is thought that the men have fled to America.

Light was thrown on the mystery to-day when detectives examined sixty letters written by Mrs. Gunness to Ray and under arrest on the charge of burning the Gunness home.

The letters were found in Lamphere's trunk, which had been concealed in the police. It is thought that the men have fled to America.

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## GUNNESS SUSPECT, CAUGHT ON TRAIN, FREED BY POLICE

Arrested Pair Turn Out to Be Innocent Mother and Daughter.

Syracuse Police Chief Admits Subordinates Made Mistake.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., May 9 .- Mrs. Cora Belle Herren, who was arrested on suspicion of being Mrs. Bella Gunness, the La Porte murderess, today established her residence as Franklin, Pa., and was immediately released by the Syra-cuse police. She tells of outragious treatment at the hands of the detectives

Mrs. Herren was reared in that vicir died in the South last winter and Mrs. Herren brought the body to Franklin for burial. Since then she has been Chicago most of the time, but had ar-

### Chief Discovers Mistake.

After questioning Mrs. Herren for a ounced that his subordinates had nade a grave mistake in arresting her. The chief said that she did not in any way resemble the pict as of Mrs. Gunness as sent to him, and he is tryng to find out why Mrs. Herren was

Lighted.

NEW YORK, May 9.—An explosion of the chief gas main beneath the streets of Hoboken, directly in front of Myers & Naegle's Hotels, at Third and Hudson streets today, so frightened the gnests suit against the city and railroad company to the content of the chief gas main beneath the streets of Hoboken, directly in front of Myers & Naegle's Hotels, at Third and Hudson streets today, so frightened the gnests suit against the city and railroad company to the content of the content of the property of the content of the property of the property of the content of the syracuse police in arrested. It is realized by the authorities that the action of the Syracuse police in arresting Mrs. Herren in her berth upon the word of the Pullman car conductor and travelling men that sine was a suspicious person, simply because she kept her veil drawn, may have serious results for the officers concerned, and a heavy suit against the city and railroad company. uit against the city and railroad

Mrs. Herren and a woman companio who proved to be her mother, Mrs. Burton, were arrested last night on the Cleveland-New York special, and forced to dress, willie the train was running from Syracuse to Utica. They were At first Mrs. Herren was very reticent,

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Detectives Neiss and Donovan met the to justify myself." train at the station here, and, after eeing the younger woman, who was sleep in a berth, felt certain they had he La Porte murderess. Until retiring he conductor said the younger woman vore a heavy black veil constantly, she continued to wear this veil, alhough slightly thrown back, until

## Buried Remains Not Mrs. Gunness'

A meeting of the union will be held tonight at which the union will decide either to strike or to reinstruct its executive committee and continue negoide in life today stated unqualifiedly that the burned torso was not that of the

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## SEEKS LARGER ALIMONY



Whose Marital Troubles Are Being Aired in the Court's.

## HARRISON TO SUE WIFE SECOND TIME

Lawyer Says Charges Are One Seen at Giesboro Point More Serious Than Before.

come before the public eye, to fight to the bitter end, Arthur W. Harrison, a bodies, one of which was discovered by patent attorney, announced this morna ing that he intended filing a new suit this morning, and another which was

in splie of my wishes, I am determined

## Forced Into Position.

Mr. Harrison declares that he has een practically forced to take his present position. He agreed some time ago to a tentative separation, and offered to pay his wife \$35 a month alimony. The other

In this agreement was inserted a clause providing that in the event of Mrs. Harrison's securing work, the allmony was to stop. Since his "peace agreement," he asserts that his wife, through her lawyers has been insistantly demanding a larger allmony. All of his efforts at reconciliation, he says, have falled.

resolution for the observance of mothers' day was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The District Committee continued its hearing on the Anti-saloon League bill for more stringent excise laws.

Senator Foraker gave hotice that he would call up Monday his bill to restring of the union will be store the discharged soldiers to the

The "Agreement to Promote Happiness" was signed by the couple in June mistress of the La Porte "House of 1965. At the same time they signed an 'Agreement to Separate." which Dr. Long said the finger nails of the become active in the event that either dead woman were carefully manicured, party broke the terms of the first agree-

Not Body of Mrs. Gunness.

"The body is almost five inches shorter than the body of Mrs. Gunness would be under the same circumstances. The body is that of a recent victim. It is not that of Mrs. Gunness. I am sure of that."

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# HUNT TWO BODIES FLOATING IN RIVER

and the Other Near Marshall Hall.

Police of the harbor precinct are passengers on an Alexandria ferryboat case for separation from his wife early next seen yesterday floating between Bryan's

current, the body was swept out of sight before it could be secured. Cap-

The other body was seen floating in offered. the river near Giesboro Point, about 8
o'clock this morning. The body was in the citizens of the town would not wait a part of the river where the ferryboat the citizens of the town would not wait could not go, and no effort was made for the jury to return a verdict, and

could not go, and no effort was made to recover it at the time. It is thought the corpse was that of a white man.

The harbor patrol boat Vigilant is out of commission, and it was impossible to go down the river in the police launch Major Sylvester last night. The launch is being used to search for the body, near Giesboro point today, while a larger boat was procured for the trip down the river.

The recent rains have increased the depth of the river several weeks, and that the swift current is unusually swift. It is thought both bodies may have been in the water several weeks, and that the swift current is responsible for dislodging, them from the bottom.

The prisoner was further protected by being placed in such a position that he could not be attacked without endangering the lives of the jurymen and the commonwealth's attorneys.

Woman to Testify.

Mrs. Ward is expected to go on the witness stand this afternoon and tell her story of the assault. This has added

### SHE CHOOSES OTHER MAN: ACTOR IS HEARTBROKEN

CINCINNATI, May 3 .- "Neil Burton, of New York, tragedian, song writer and poet," came to Cincinnati several Commissioner Macfarland has received a letter from the Great Falls and Old Dominion Railroad Company, saying that that corpany has complied with the request of the Commissioners, that railway companies remove or covering the so-called "Jim Crow" signs in their cars while in the District of Columbia. Similar compilance with this request has been promised by the Washington, Arshorder than the body of Mrs. Gunness, should be under the sold and more than the sold and the continued:

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Socialists First To Assert that of a recent victim. It is not that of Mrs. Gunness was isolated to \$35 a month. In a third agreement to separate, she was to have \$10 a month, Mrs. Gunnes, and under the accompanying agreement to separate, she was to have \$25 a month. In a third agree pounds. Mrs. Gunness was literally a to have \$25 a month. In a third agreement to separate, she was to have \$25 a month. In a third agreement to separate to Cincinnati several days ago. A marriage license was isspending money, and under the accompanying agreement to separate, she was to have \$25 a month. In a third agree pounds. Mrs. Gunness was literally a month. In a third agree pounds. Mrs. Gunness was that it allowed either to separate was that it allowed either to separate was that it allowed either party to live wherever and with whom he or she pleased. This read as follows:

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In the girl's presence he asked her to choose between him and the other. In the girl's presence he asked her to choose between him and the other. The girl chose the other and Burton went away heartbroken. Last night he such as thought advisable that they should noter as husband and e separate and apart.

The girl had reconsidered and was to become his wife; but he is still waiting the should note as husband and e separate and apart.

The girl had reconsidered and was to become his wife; but he is still waiting to wreak its vengeance on the woman's assailant.

BAY STATE INDEPENDENTS done against me," sobbed Burton.
"She has made a fool of me—a big one,
too—but I'm ready to forget."

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Saturdays and Sundays via the Pennins except "Congressional Limited.

## MOB GUARDS COURT: BENT ON LYNCHING WOMAN'S ASSAILANT

PRICE ONE CENT.

Prince Frederickstown in State of Excitement During Trial.

Crowd Excluded From Hearing to Prevent Demonstration.

With a determined mob outside the ourt house ready to reverse a possible adverse decision by an equally deter-mined jury, and with more to fear from Judge Lynch than from the regularly appointed officers of the law, Arthur Rand, alias John Jones, was placed on trial at Prince Frederickstown, Md., Mrs. Mary Muggy Ward, at her home the night of January 25.

The wildest imaginable prevails in the town, and no such crowd has been seen at the court house in years. To prevent a violent demonstration in open court, only a few persons were given permission to enter the room, while the cowering prisoner was placed close to the prosecuting attorneys and the jury.

### Mob Determined.

Outside the court house, impatiently awalting the termination of the trial, is a mob of men, many of them mounted, and all of them armed. The feeling against the negro is so intense that if ne jury fails to mete out justice, he will be lynched, and present indications are that any effort to preevnt such a proceeding will avail nothing, even should such resistance be offered.

On the jury are ten Maryland farmer Northerner, and a negro, and the foreman has the ominous name of Henry

Slaughter.

The crime for which Rand stands accused was committed the night of January 29, at the home of Mrs. Ward, where Rand was employed. He entered the house with an ax in one hand and a loaded gun in the other and with t threat that he would commit murder to accomplish his purpose, provided the woman made an outcry, he drove her into a bedroom and locked the door behind him.

he found in the house, went to the barr and stele a house, and escaped to Bar-stow, Prince Frederick county.

Mrs. Ward, rendered almost insane by he horrible experience, wandered from her home in a dazed condition, and with night dress, and with bare feet, she home of Ernest Randall, where she told with Elsey Hardesty and James Har-Two days later Rand pre-check a: Robinson's store, a means be was captured

## Takes Prisoner to Woods.

At midnight Sheriff Meade and Deputain Veeder said the body was that of a man wearing dark clothes. The face was covered with dirt, and it was impossible to determine if it was that of the woods back of the jall, where had his presence there been known, little opposition to the mole could have been appeared. At midnight Sheriff Meade and Depu-

When Rand was taken into the court

Mrs. Ward is expected to go on the witness stand this afternoon and tell her story of the assault. This has added whom swear that they will not permit he woman to be subjected to such numiliation. The prosecution is repre-

### Burton BAY STATE INDEPENDENTS HOLD CONVENTION TODAY

BOSTON, May 9 .- The Independence League will hold its State convention this afternoon. Four delegates at large will be chosen. Thomas L. Hisgen, of Springfield, will